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For: LOCATING A POSITION ON
A DISPLAY SCREEN

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REPLY BRIEF

Sir:

Responsive to the Examiner's Answer mailed on January 11, 2007, provided herewith is a Reply Brief.

I. REPLY

With regard to the Examiner's response to Appellant's argument respecting claim 1, the Examiner contends that the primary reference Mumford teaches that "where the display is divided into n mutually exclusive regions, when the sensor is determined not to be in a specific region, values for that region are changed...." Examiner's Answer, p. 6. This misconstrues the true teaching of Mumford. Instead, Mumford clearly teaches that when it is determined that the position of a light pen is within one of n regions of a display, "the remaining n-1 original equal

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portions to revert to any previous or current video image intended to be displayed therein.”

Mumford, 18:25-29.

Thus in Mumford its operation does not generate “a different sequence of characteristic values each corresponding to a unique sequence of primary colors *in each of said regions* [of a display]” until the sensor position is determined as recited in claim 1. Instead, as clearly described in Mumford its system reverts immediately back to any previous or current video image and thus does not generate a different sequence of primary colors in each region until the sensor position is fully resolved, i.e., “with respect to said regions” as recited in claim 1.

Because of this misconstruction of the primary reference by the Examiner, the rejection of the claims is improper and should be reversed, as the secondary reference, Wiebe, nowhere teaches or suggests this subject matter missing from Mumford.

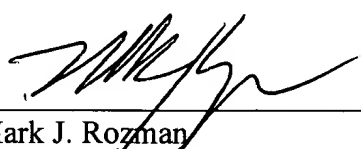
II. CONCLUSION

For the reasons set forth herein, as well as set forth in the Appeal Brief, Appellant respectfully requests that the final rejection be reversed and that the claims subject to this Appeal be allowed to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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